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VISIT TO FASHODA.

Experiences on White Mile Described

Some interesting particulars have been published of the journey up the White Nile recently undertaken by Sir Edmund and Lady Lechmere. The latter is the only Englishwoman that has visited Fashoda except Lady Baker, who accompanied her husband on his famous expedition to the Nile sources. Sir Edmund and Lady Lechmere left Khartoum in November last for Fashoda, the Sobat, and Gondo-koro, in two large sailing nuggers, and reached Fashoda early in January. The heat during the journey was intense, and there was a perfect plague of mosquitoes. Concerning the trip Sir Edmund Lechmere says:

The banks of the White Nile for hundreds of miles are fringed with dense masses of reeds, and landing is almost impossible except at the very few dis-embarkation places. The boats being low in the water, it is impossible to see over the tops of these reeds, and on landing we have generally to push through half a mile of dense vegetation and swamp before reaching dry land. In the wet season the country is a huge swamp. Fashoda, though an important post, is a dreary and desalate collection of duts and tents reeking with malaria and mosquitoes, After remaining a few days we proceeded to the mouth of the Sobat, where I had a bad attack of fever, and we had to abandon our idea of pushing on to Gondokoro. We found the Shilluks and Dinkas on the right bank of the Sobat friendly, but useless as camp attendants. The Naers, on the opposite bank, were very truculent, and any one going among them must be prepared for trouble. South of Fashods we found that the natives of both sexes were quite destitute of clothing. Old "sparklets" are in great demand for necklaces, and even a more valuable asset for purposes of barter than

On the journey up to the Sobat we encountered all sorts or birds, chiefly water-fowl, in countless thousands; and for days we sailed through flocks of geese, pelican, and the like, which scarcely troubled to puddle out of the way of our boats. Hippopotami and crocodiles are numerous, and there are several species of antelope, including the Cobus Maria, of which I got a fine specimen. The fish in the White Nile run up to several hundred pounds in weight, and huge water turtles are to be met with. I caught one weighing nearly 100 pounds.

During our journey we had abundant evidence of the benefit the country is deriving from British influence. The land is beginning to be cultivated, and the naitves, freed from centuries of tyranny, are awaking trom their apathy. The great want of the Soudan is population.

More Profitable.

The "anti-daisy bill," introduced into the New York State Assembly, provided that the daisy be classed as a detrimental, together with the wild carrot, the common Canada thistle and the wild lettuce; and that if a farmer did not dig up these weeds the tax assessors were empowered to enter the farm, dig them up and charge the expense to the farmer, along with his

Recently, according to the New York Tribune, this bill was the subject of conversation between a city and a country assemblyman.

"Do you think that such a bill is a good bill?" asked the city member. The daisy is one of the most beautiful flowers that we have, exquisite in its simplicity."

"That may be," replied the country member. "It is beautiful to look at. but it ruins a crop of hay." "But if you dig up our daisles what

will our poets do?" "Raise hay, if they're wise. What kind of a show does a poet stand, anyvay? At the present time a bale of nay brings a good deal higher price than the same amount of verse."



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